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January 6, 2004

The Honorable William Howard Taft IV  
The Legal Adviser  
Department of State  
Washington DC 20520

Dear Will:

Enclosed is an ICRC Verbal Note concerning the situation of persons detained in Afghanistan.

Copies of this Note are also being provided to the US Embassy in Kabul and to the US Permanent Mission in Geneva. I am sending copies also to Chuck Allen at the Pentagon, to John Bellinger and Shirin Tahir-Kheli at the NSC, and to Mike McKinley at PRM.

This Note and the December 23, 2003 Working Paper on Guantanamo are provided in advance of President Kellenberger's Washington visit January 15-16, 2004.

With personal regards,

Christophe Girod

Head of Delegation